Natural Landscaping Defined

Natural Landscaping improves the aesthetic and environmental functions of landscapes installed in the built environment and restored natural areas by preserving and recreating land features and native plant communities. Sustainable landscapes are formed which seek to protect and restore natural ecosystem components, maximize the use of native plants, remove invasive plant species, reduce turf grass and chemical inputs, improve soils and retain rain water on-site.

In natural areas only locally native plant species are used to provide the greatest possible ecological benefits and improve environmental conditions, while in built landscapes non-invasive exotic plants may be used where appropriate; but the majority of plant cover is composed of native species that support wildlife.

